

REMARKS

Claims 9 and 11 are pending in this application.

By this Amendment, claim 9 is amended to recite additional features disclosed in the specification at, for example, Fig. 4. No new matter is added. Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

The Office Action rejects claim 9 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) over U.S. Patent No. 7,057,589 to Shin in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,534,809 to Watanabe. (The Office Action also appears to reject claim 11 in this rejection.) This rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 9 is amended to recite additional features, as outlined above. The applied references, Shin and Watanabe, do not disclose or suggest the subject matter recited in claim 9, as amended.

For example, Shin and Watanabe do not disclose or suggest "selection-signal input terminals and the image-signal input terminals being aligned along the same edge of the matrix," as recited in claim 9. Also, Shin and Watanabe do not disclose or suggest "selection signal supplying lines, each of the selection-signal supplying lines including a first wiring line extending from the selection-signal input terminal in a same direction as the direction in which the data lines extend, and extending in a direction intersecting the direction in which the data lines extend; and a second wiring line extending from the first wiring line to the control input terminal in a same direction as the direction in which the data lines extend," as recited in claim 9.

Furthermore, Shin and Watanabe do not disclose or suggest "the control input terminals of the selection circuits being arranged in the same direction as that of the selection signal input terminals and in the same order as the corresponding selection-signal input terminals, a length and a width being the same for each signal-supplying line from the corresponding selective-signal input terminal, through a portion of the first wiring and

through the second wiring line, to the control input terminal of the corresponding switching element, to compose an equivalent low-pass filter," as recited in claim 9.

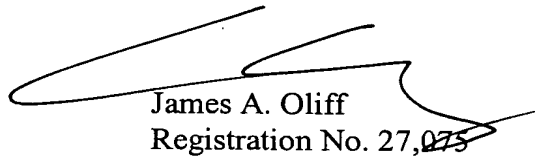
The subject matter recited in claim 9 allows the formation of an equivalent low pass filter by a simple structure. Also, in the configuration recited in claim 9, the selection-signal input terminal and the image-signal input terminal are arranged at one region, so as to ensure increased efficiency and reduced costs. Shin and Watanabe do not recognize these critical aspects realized by the configuration recited in claim 9. Thus, Shin and Watanabe do not render obvious the subject matter recited in claim 9.

For at least the above reasons, claim 9 and claim 11 depending therefrom, are patentable over the applied references. Accordingly, withdrawal of the rejection of claims 9 and 11 under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) is respectfully requested.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that this application is in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and prompt allowance of claims 9 and 11 are earnestly solicited.

Should the Examiner believe that anything further would be desirable in order to place this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number set forth below.

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